

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

RS18701

The purpose of this legislation directs health benefit plans providing coverage for cancer chemotherapy treatment, to provide coverage for prescribed, orally administered anti-cancer medication on a basis no less favorable than intravenously administered or injected cancer medications that are covered as medical benefits.

Orally administered Chemotherapy medications offer many benefits to cancer patients, including experiencing fewer side effects than intravenously administered anti-cancer medications and the flexibility to take them from home.

FISCAL NOTE

There will be no impact to the state general fund.

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